

Dietz House (Hermit's House)
south side of Pleasant Valley Road,
0.1 mile west of Alpine Road
York vicinity
York County
Pennsylvania

HABS No. PA-5173

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Pennsylvania	COUNTY York	TOWN OR VICINITY York vicinity
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Oietz House		HABS NO. PA-5173
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Hermit's House (This name refers to Kurwin Hauser, reclusive owner from 1909 to 1970.)		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) south side of Pleasant Valley Road, 0.1 mile west of Alpine Road		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) ca. 1810	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Interesting example of vernacular stone construction.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Random rubble with quoins		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 40'-5" x 30'-7"; 1-1/2 stories; gable roof; sloping site creates fully exposed basement on south rear.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Panelled door with fluted pilasters on north front; shed roofed dormer on south rear.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Central hall plan		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Restored 1974.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Burns, Deborah. Draft manuscript of HABS Pennsylvania Catalog.		
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